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Dear Planning Participant,

Please insert the enclosed "Forest Plan Errata" sheet at the beginning of your printed copies of the Nez Perce Forest Plan and Appendices. The replace Forest Plan pages: II-16, II-25, III-46, VII-12, VII-14; and Appendices pages Q-1 and Q-2 in the Appendices. These corrections are administrative changes to the content of the Nez Perce Forest Plan described in 36 CFR 219.13 (c).

This letter, posted on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest website, serves as public notice of the administrative changes described in the errata sheet (36 219.16(c)(6)). The enclosed corrections to the Forest Plan become effective tomorrow.

An electronic copy of the Forest Plan (with corrected pages) is available on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests webpage at:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5400662.pdf and http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5400663.pdf.

An electronic copy of this letter and the enclosed corrected pages are available at the same site.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. If you have any questions about the attached documents or this letter, please call Norma Staaf at (208) 935-4284.

Sincerely.

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Forest Supervisor

Enclosure (1)



CORRECTED FOREST PLAN

REPLACEMENT PAGES

This package of replacement pages provides administrative changes to the Nez Perce National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan). Please insert the errata pages as the first two pages in printed copies of the Forest Plan and replace Forest Plan pages II-16, II-25, III-46, VII-12, VII-14; and Appendices pages Q-1 and Q-2.

The Forest Plan and Appendices have been updated on the web at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5400662.pdf and http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5400663.pdf.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

Page II-16. Recreation Standard.

Standard replaced with the following:

9. Review and update the motor vehicle use map to reflect access decisions.

Designate areas for off-highway vehicle (OHV) use on the motor vehicle use map and in conformance with ROS designations for specific areas. Manage off-highway vehicle use to minimize resource damage and to promote public safety.

Page II-25. Roads and Trails Standard.

Standard replaced with the following:

10. Roads, Trails or Areas will be closed to motorized use unless displayed as open on the motor vehicle use map.

Page III-46. Management Area 16, Wildlife – Access Management, Standard.

Standard replaced with the following:

1. Restrict all roads except specifically-identified arterials and collectors during winter to reduce disturbance, harassment, and poaching of animals. Open roads shall be identified on the motor vehicle use map.

Page VII-12. Glossary.

Added these words and definitions.

Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). A map reflecting designated roads, trails, and areas on an administrative unit or a Ranger District of the National Forest System. (36 CFR 212.1)

Motor Vehicle. Any vehicle which is self-propelled, other than:

- a. A vehicle operated on rails; and
- b. Any wheelchair or mobility device, including one that is battery-powered, that is designed solely for use by a mobility-impaired person for locomotion, and that is suitable for use in an indoor pedestrian area (36 CFR 212.1).

Page VII-14. Glossary

Removed Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) definition and replaced it with Off-Highway Vehicle.

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV). Any motorized vehicle designed for or capable of cross country travel on or immediately over land, water, sand, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, or other natural terrain (36 CFR 212.1); except that term excludes (A) any registered motorboat, (B) any fire, military, emergency or law enforcement vehicle when used for emergency purposes, and any combat or combat support vehicle when used for national defense purposes, and (C) any vehicle whose use is expressly authorized by the respective agency head under a permit, lease, license, or contract.

Pages Q-1 through Q-2.

Replaced pages Q-1 and Q-2.

APPENDIX Q NEZ PERCE NATIONAL FOREST

MOTORIZED/NON-MOTORIZED RECREATION MANAGEMENT

AREAS DESIGNATED BY CONGRESSIONAL ACTS		AREAS DESIGNATED IN FOREST PLAN		AREAS DESIGNATED IN FOREST PLAN	
Motorized recreation prohibited		Motorized recreation generally prohibited Roads, trails and areas are closed unless displayed as open on the Motor Vehicle Use Map		Motorized recreation generally suited. Roads, trails and areas are closed unless displayed as open on the Motor Vehicle Use Map	
MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES	MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES	MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES
8.2 - "Wild" portion of the Middle Fork of the Clearwater Wild and Scenic River corridor.	14,909	1 - Rock outcrops, scree, or areas of shallow soils along canyons and major drainages.	19,388	7 - Developed recreation sites.	400 :
8.3 - "Wild" portion of Rapid River.	4,218	2 - Ranger stations, work centers, and other administrative sites.	1,600	8.1 - "Wild" portion of the Salmon Wild and Scenic River corridor.	9,241
9.1 - Selway Bitterroot Wilderness.	560,088	3 - Cultural Resource Areas.	350	8.2 - "Recreational" portion of the Middle Fork of the Clearwater Wild and Scenic River corridor.	6,693
9.2 - Gospel-Hump Wilderness.	200,464	4 - Mineral extraction and processing operations.	520	10 - Lakes, lakeside lands, perennial streams, riparian areas.	11,859
9.3 - Frank Church- River of No Return Wilderness.	105,736	6 - Research Natural Areas.	8,015	11 - Forested lands that are, for the most part, unroaded.	126,846
HELLS CANYON WILDERNESS	59,900			12 - Forested land 13 - Forested land 14 - Forested land 15 - Forested land 17 - Forested land 18 - Forested land 19 - Primary range	539,884 11,500 1,765 72,003 104,529 10,468 19,906

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MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES	MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES	MANAGEMENT AREA	ACRES
HELLS CANYON WILDERNESS (cont)				16 - Deer and elk winter habitat	151,683
			:	20 - Old-growth habitat	64,659
				21 - Moose winter range	45,140
				22 - Wall Creek Municipal Watershed	2,042
		i		23 - Elk Creek Municipal Watershed	7,061
	_			HELLS CANYON NRA	57,173
Total Acres =	945,315	Total Acres =	29,873	Total Acres =	1,242,852
Percent of Forest =	43%	Percent of Forest =	1%	Percent of Forest =	56%
		Percent Outside of Congressionally Designated Areas	2%	Percent Outside of Congressionally Designated Areas	98%